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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 17, 2003, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejected claims based upon the following remarks.

The three month date for responding to the September 17, 2003 Office Action is December 17, 2003 and accordingly this response is considered to be timely filed.

No fees are believed to be due, however the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Order Account No. 11-0855.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

Conclusion begins on page 8 of this paper.

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